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B. R. S.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$200 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at any time transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 6 per cent. per annum interest.
4.—Interest at the rate of 3% per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked "On Hongkong Savings' Bank" is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-
PRIETORS.....\$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS
Chairman—Hon. JOHN BELL-LEVINE,
Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORES, Esq.
C. D. BOTOMOLES, S. C. MICHAELSON,
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MANAGER,
Shanghai,.....EVANS CAMERON, Esq.,
LONDON BANKERS—London and County
Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 863

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

COMPETITIONS will be resumed on SATURDAY WEEK, the 19th Instant.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 10, 1889. 18

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TEAM-
WAYS COMPANY, LTD.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

8 to 10 a.m. every quarter of an hour.
12 " 1 p.m. every half hour.
3 " 7 " a quarter of an hour.

THURSDAYS.

NIGHT TRAMS at 10.45 a.m. 11 p.m.

SUNDAYS.

10.45 a.m. to 3 p.m. every half hour.
3 to 7 p.m. every quarter of an hour.

Special CARDS may be obtained on application to the SUPERINTENDENT.

Single Tickets are sold in the Card, Five-Cent Coupons and Reward Tickets at the Office.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 2

Intimations.

THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

A general MEETING of the Company will be held at the Company's OFFICES, 22 Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, in accordance with the Provisions made under the Company's Ordinances 1 of 1877.

JOHN ANDREW,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 15, 1889. 80

CHAS. J. GAUPP & CO.,
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths,
NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

YOUTLANDER'S CELESTRADE BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.

KNIGHT & OTHER COMPANIES' ADMIRALTY AND IMRAY CHARTS.

NAUTICAL BOOKS.

English STEVER & ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.

Christofle & Co.'s ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.

GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY

in great variety.

D I A M O N D S

— AND —

DIAMOND JEWELLERY,

A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, at very moderate prices. 742

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Forty-fifth Ordinary Half Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 2nd February, at 12 o'clock (noon), for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 20th instant to 2nd February, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 14, 1889. 66

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMasters and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1885. 1468

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.

MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,

Surgeon Dentist

(FORMERLY JOSEPH APPRENTICE AND LATTELLY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROGERS.)

At the urgent request of his European

and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. Rogers,

No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.

Sole Address

2, DUDDELL STREET.

(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 66

BORNEO TIMBER.

THE BRITISH BORNEO TRADING

AND PLANTING CO., LTD., are

prepared to SUPPLY New and Valuable

TIMBERS for SHIP and HOUSE BUILDING,

FRUITFRUIT, WHARVES, &c., in Round or

Square Logs, Beams, or Sawn to any specification.

Small samples can be seen at the Office, where also Price List and Description

can be obtained, and larger samples at our Godown at East Point.

The above Company have arranged for regular Shipments to be made by the Provincial, Perak, and other large Steamers, direct to this port.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, October 23, 1888. 1779

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE FOR CHINESE.

RESIDENTS in the Colony would

be materially aid the SENATE of the

COLLEGE by forwarding to the AZORES

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

(1) Glass Jars (for museum purposes).

(2) Illustrated Papers and Books for the

Student's Reading Room and Library.

Address to

JAMES GANTHER,

Hom Sec to the College.

Hongkong, August 7, 1888. 1817

WEEK DAYS.

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MacEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 2

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Piano & Music Department.

The following MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS and FITTINGS, have just been added to our Stock:

VIOLINS (Copies of the Old Masters). VIOLIN BOWS, STRINGS, Twisted Silk, GENUINE ROMAN Gut, Real Silver 46th BRIDGES, PEGS, TAIL PIECES, MUTES, CASES, RESIN, CHIN RESTS and CHIN PANS &c.

GUITARS (Spanish and other Models).

BANJOS—BANJO STRINGS (American and English) PEGS, &c.

MANDOLINES (Spanish and Corsican Models).

METRONOMES, by MAZZELI, in Mahogany-Walnut, or Ebony Case.

FLUTES and FLUTE MORS, PICCOLO MORS, CLARIONETS and CLARINET REEDS, OBOES and OBOE REEDS, CORNETS (Curved and other Models).

SAXHORN, EUPHONIUMS, (4 Valves) TRUMPETS, BOMBARDONS.

All Brass Instruments made on latest improved system (short models and large bores).

CORNET SPRINGS and CORNET MOUTHPIECES, &c., &c.

FULL ORCHESTRAL and MILITARY BAND REQUISITES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, January 12, 1889. 5

THE CHINA MAIL.

[No. 8124.—JANUARY 17, 1889.]

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE.
STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,
SUEZ, PORT SAID,
BRINDISI, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK
SEA & BALTO PORTS;
ALSO, LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

The COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL
AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargos can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for the principal places in
RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 29th day of January, 1889, at 10 a.m., the Company's
Steamship *BAYERN*, Captain MENGEL,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this port as above,
calling at GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon. Cargo will be received on board
until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 1 p.m.
on the 18th January, 1889. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office). Contents and
Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 22, 1888. 2176

NOTICE.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESAGERIES
MARITIMES.**
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY,
MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID,
MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,
MARSEILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;
ALSO, LONDON, BAVIER, BORDEAUX,
DUNKIRK AND ANTWERP.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of January, 1889, at Noon, the Company's
Steamship *NATAL*, Commandant STUCH,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo will be registered for
London as well as for Marselles, and no
copied in transit through Marselles for the
principal ports of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.,
on the 22nd January, 1889. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, January 15, 1889. 51

To-day's Advertisements.

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).

(Taking cargo & passengers through rates
for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW
CHWANG, TIENTSIN, YANKOW, and
Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship
Patriotus,
Capt. F. SCHULZ, will be
despatched as above TO-
MORROW, the 18th instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWINE,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 17, 1889. 96

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Steamship
Ariadna,
Capt. E. CHRISTENSEN,
will be despatched for the
above Ports on SATURDAY, the 19th Inst., at
3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 17, 1889. 93

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
BATAVIA.

The Co.'s Steamship
Denevur,
Capt. H. HOFFMANN, will be
despatched as above on
MONDAY, the 1st instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 17, 1889. 95

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s
Steamship
Pionoclear,

will leave for the above
place about 24 hours after her arrival with
the outward English Mail.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, January 17, 1889. 93

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

C H E M I S T R Y.

Dakin's

To-day's Advertisements.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGA-
SAKI AND KOBE.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s
Steamship
Ancora,

will leave for the above
places on SUNDAY, 20th January, at
Noon.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, January 17, 1889. 96

DEPARTURES.

JANUARY 17.—

Ariadna, for New York.
Forrman, for Swatow.
Activ, for Hoitow.
Nansan, for Swatow.
Glaucus, for Amoy and Shanghai.
Proteus, for Kobe.

City of Rio de Janeiro, for San Francisco.
Good Luck, for Singapore.

CLEARED.

Amen, for Shanghai.
Alair, for Callan.
Anton, for Hoitow and Pakhoi.
Marie, for Haiphong.
Alberty, for Yokohama.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Nierstein, from Wuhu, 1 Chinese.
Per Frey, from Haiphong, 43 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per City of Rio de Janeiro, for Yokohama.
Mr Kwong Man Tye and native servant ;
for San Francisco, Mr C. H. Brown.
Per Forrman, for Tamsui, Mearns E. E.
Smith and Aminoff.

Per Glaucus, for Amoy, 70 Chinese.
Per Forrman, for Swatow, 3 European,
and 160 Chinese.

Per Activ, for Hoitow, 30 Chinese.
Per Nansan, for Swatow, 200 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per Amen, for Shanghai, 30 Chinese.
Per Alair, for Hoitow, 30 Chinese.
Per Marie, for Haiphong, 25 Chinese.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close.

ARRIVALS.

JANUARY 16, 1889.—

Nicolaus, German steamer, 731. F.
Barolin, Wuhl, January 8, General—Murchies & Co.

January 17.—

Frey, Danish steamer, 397, C. A. Lund,
Haiphong, January 15, General—Arnhold,
Kander & Co.

January 18.—

Bengale, French barque, 544, Scott,
Singapore, November 24, Timber—Murchies & Co.

January 19.—

Kashgar, at 11:30 a.m., on Friday,
the 20th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per Desnoyer, at 11:30 a.m., on Mon-
day, the 21st inst.

For STRAITS & BATAVIA.—

Per Arrows, per, at 10:30 a.m., on
Wednesday, the 23rd inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—

Per Kashgar, at 11:30 a.m., on Friday,
the 20th inst.

For CALCUTTA.—

Per Arrows, per, at 10:30 a.m., on
Wednesday, the 23rd inst.

For MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.

The German Contract Packet *Bavaria*

will be despatched on SATURDAY,

the 19th instant, with Mails for the

United Kingdom, Europe, and coun-
tries beyond, via Brindisi; to the

Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,

Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius,

Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Natal* will

be despatched on WEDNESDAY,

the 22nd January, with Mails for the

United Kingdom, Europe, and coun-
tries beyond, via Marsella; to Suez, Straits

Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,

Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius,

Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—Albury leaves for Yihama, &c.

3 p.m.—Patroclus leaves for Shanghai.

Meetings.

4 p.m.—Meeting of The Austin Arms

Tool & Building Co., Ltd.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, January 19.—

Competitions of the H.K. Rifle Association.

2 p.m.—Auction of Sundry Furniture,
at Mr J. M. Armstrong's.

SUNDAY, January 20.—

Transfer Books of H.K., O. & M. Steam-
boat Co., Ltd., closed from the date to

2nd February, inclusive.

TUESDAY, January 22.—

Goods per *Arrows* Appear undelivered
after this date subject to rent.

Wednesday, January 23.—

Goods per *Arrows* undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, February 2.—

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the
H.K., C. & M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.,
at No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's
Road Central.

FRIDAY, February 7.—

Masonic Ball at City Hall.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED
THEIR

ANNUAL SUPPLY
OF

LAWN GRASS SEED,
AND

SWEET CORN.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited,
HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

January 15th, 1889. 83

—The publication of this issue commenced
at 7:40 p.m.

Cha Gaiwa Hall.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1889.

TELEGRAMS.

(Hawar Telegrams)

PARIS, 7th Jan.

The Conservative candidate was
elected for the Somme department and the
Bonapartist for the Charente Inferior.

M. Maline has been re-elected President
of the Chamber of Deputies.

LIQUID AND GENERAL.

Colony under 16 years of age to be student interpreters. I propose to alter this part as follows:—“The Governor to appoint three student interpreters, each to be attached to such department of the public service as the Governor may see fit, subject to be made from residents in the Colony under 16 years of age, to interpret, at an altitude for hearing the Chinese language and distinguish themselves in the higher examinations of any of the public schools of the Colony, especially as regards the English language.” It will make a larger field and draw special attention—which was not drawn before—in these regulations to the desirability of the interpreters being good English scholars, a qualification which is of as much importance if not more importance. I do not know whether men born have got any suggestions to make. I am quite willing, if they have, that they should make it now. I do not propose to read over them.

Mr Ryrie—I did not know that the matter was going to come up to-day, and I did not pay much attention to it, being busy with other matters.

His Excellency—I gather from that that you desire the matter postponed. I may say that this matter has been very fully considered. There has been a vast amount of discussion on it.

Mr Leyton—A proper interpretation scheme is much to be desired and the sooner it is sanctioned the better.

His Excellency—Of course it will not have the force of law, and therefore I do not see any objection to passing it. Before it comes into operation it is quite possible the advantage of alteration may be seen; and in that case all that has to be done is to write an official letter to the Governor or mention the matter in Council.

Mr Ryrie—The undelivered members at least will approve of the scheme of interpretation.

The Colonial Secretary then proposed that the scheme of interpretation, indicated by the Governor in his message of 10th Jan., and contained in the minutes of Council confirmed on the 7th, be generally approved of by the Council.

Mr Ryrie seconded the motion, which was carried.

His Excellency—I trust it will tend to increase—the knowledge of Chinese in the public service.

Adjourned.

HONGKONG STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY LIMITED.

The first ordinary meeting of shareholders of this Company was held this afternoon in the Company's Office, Pedder's Street. Mr J. F. J. Francis, Q.C., Chairman of the Company, presided; and there were also present: Messrs Alfred Woolley, H. J. Holmes, and D. McCulloch, directors; and Messrs R. Lyell, J. Forbes, J. W. Noble, Capt. Hamlin, J. O. Da Roza, C. A. Oxridge, W. C. Murray, R. B. R. Burder, and G. E. Seimund.

The Chairman said—This meeting is called in accordance with the requirements of the Ordinance, a recent Ordinance which requires that the first meeting should be held within a limited time after the Company has been formed. As a matter of course, there is no statement or anything else to put before the meeting, but the directors think it advisable to call the attention of the shareholders to two facts. The first is that the intention on the formation of the company was to have waited before commencing business until the new steamers were built; but on consideration your directors thought it would be advisable to occupy the field as quickly as possible and at the same time feel their way to business during the six months or so while the new steamers were being ready. At an expense of some \$13,000 we invested in three fairly good steamers. They have been fitted up, and two of them have been put to run as ferry boats, one to Kowloon and the other to Hungnam. The third, the *Bonnie*, is used as a dispatch boat and very profitably used indeed. We have been working in this way for four months up to the end of December, and we have been clearing the whole of the current working expenses, including the cost of management and a small sum each month at profit. We are not attempting and we don't intend to attempt, so far as the directors' intentions are concerned, to compete on strictly Chinese lines with Chinese boats. Whatever we may do ultimately is another question. Our intention is to run boats where there is European traffic and where clean, well-fitted boats are required. We propose to run three ferry boats and to keep two or three boats. There is a great demand for quick and handy steam-launches, and there is a very profitable business indeed to be done in this branch. The directors wish to explain these things to you as to what they have done up to the present and what they intend to do. We are negotiating just now with the Government for the purpose of having our new launches fitted up so that they may be used as patrol or guard boats in the event of war, and we hope to get a reasonable subsidy from the Government in respect of our making our boats available for this purpose and keeping them in a proper state of repair and inspection. If so, that will add something material to the income of the Company, while the advantage to the Government in the public interest will be considerable. The Government have not

given in at once to the terms we demanded and negotiations are still going on, but I have very little doubt that we will ultimately succeed in obtaining the results of which the appointment of such agents as those mentioned above, in respect of the services of our boats. As to the prospect, as far as we can see, there is every reason to be satisfied. The receipts have been increasing every month and there is the prospect of very considerable traffic for the Company's boats both as ferry boats and despatch boats. The first call has been paid on all the shares and the second call has also been paid on all except 242 shares, but this I have no doubt will be paid in the course of a few days. If there is any further information we can give you to ask, I will be glad to answer and if you have any questions you would like to ask, I am sure you will be glad to answer and I am sure any of the other directors will be glad to do so.

There being no questions,

The Chairman said—if no one has any question to ask, there is no real business to transact. The meeting has simply been held in compliance with the Ordinance and there is nothing further to be done but to dissolve the meeting.

The meeting then dissolved.

SUPREME COURT IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. (Before Chief Justice Russell and a Jury.)

Thursday, Jan. 17th.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO. v. LOXLEY AND CO.—THE DISPUTE ABOUT THE ENGAGEMENT OF BARMAIDS.

The Attorney General said—Messrs G. R. Lammett, F. W. Cross, H. W. Dick, H. L. Dalrymple, H. Wicking, F. T. P. Foster, and E. A. Solomons.

The Attorney General read the petition and answer, which are as follows:

Petition.

1. The plaintiffs are a Company duly incorporated and registered in Hongkong under the Companies Ordinances, 1865 to 1886, and carry on business in Hongkong as a Hotel keeper.

2. The defendants are Merchants and Commission Agents carrying on business in Hongkong, London, and under the style of Mr. W. R. Loxley & Co.

3. By a letter dated the 25th day of May 1886, the plaintiffs' Company appointed the defendants to be the agents in London of the plaintiffs' Company, for the purpose of executing such orders as the plaintiffs' Company should transmit to them from time to time upon the terms mentioned in the said letter.

The plaintiff Company crave leave to read the said letter.

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